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SUBJECT: TRAVEL CHASE MANHATTAN BANK OFFICERS TO CONAKRY

REF: (A) CONAKRY 1822, (B) STATE 224343, (C) STATE 221783

1. FOLLOWING IS VERBATIM TRANSLATION DEPOSITION STATEMENT
EX MINISTER TELLI DIALLO REGARDING ACCOUNT WITH CHASE

(TEXT PAGE 27, HOROYA NO WWET OF AUGUST 15-21, 1976)

BEGIN QUOTE FOREIGN FINANCES: IN RETURNING TO GUINEA PN

1972, I HAD TWO SOURCES OF REVENUE REMAINING OUTSIDE

1) A SUM OF USD 100,000 OF MY SAVINGS DEPOSITED WITH
CHASE MANHATTAN BANK OF NEW YORK AND DESTINED TO FINANCE
MY MEDICAL TREATMENT AND THAT OF MY WIFE OVERSEAS WND FOR
THE EDUCATION OF MY CHILDREN. BUT, MY INITIAL PLAN
HAVING BEEN ABANDONED AND MY WIFE AND CHILDREN HAVING
RETURNED TO GUINEA, I TRANSFERED THIS SUM TO THE BGCE
(BANQUE GUINEENE DU COMMERCE EXTERIEUR) IN CONAKRY.
END QUOTE.

2. IF TELLI DIALLO ACCOUNT EXISTED THEN FUNDS WERE WITH-
DRAWN SOMETIME IN 1972 OR THEREAFTER. IF CHASE NOW HAS NO
RECORD ASSUME ACCOUNT WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CLOSED.

3. IF CHASE OFFICERS WILL BE TRAVELLING IN WEST AFRICA
EMBASSY BELIEVES GUINEA VISIT APPROPRIATE. FALLOUT FROM
POLITICAL TURMOIL UNLIKELY BUT CHASE SHOULD HAVE PRECISE
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RESPONSE IF QUESTION REGARDING TELLI ACCOUNT POSED.

EMBASSY SEES SOME BENEFIT IN CLARIFYING THE SITUATION
THOUGH WOULD NOT RECOMMEND INTRODUCING THE SUBJECT.
EMBASSY WILL BE PLEASED TO ASSIST IN ARRANGING VISIT.
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